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means is mounted on said retention device, selectively enabling moving said positive engagement latch between said notch blocking and release positions.

- 32. (New) The storage device of Claim 31, where the elongated body portion is a two pronged hook shape capable of supporting an object through contact with the stored object in more than one area.
- 33. (New) The storage device of Claim 31, where the elongated body portions are in a horizontal orientation, whereby the object supported is exerting a cantilever load on the insert portion, exerting a tension load on the upper resilient fingers, while simultaneously exerting a compression load at the outside of the lower notch area of the retention device.
- 34. (New) The storage device of Claim 31 where the elongated body section is a singular hook shape.
- 35. (New) The storage device of Claim 31 where the elongated body section is a shelf support bracket.
- 36. (New) The storage device of Claim 31 where the device is attached to overhead cargo control track and the elongated body portions are in a vertical orientation, whereby the object supported is exerting a tension load on the insert portion, exerting a tension load on the upper and lower fingers simultaneously.
- 37. (New) The storage device of Claim 31 where the elongated body portion is capable of engaging and supporting a spare tire (a tire mounted on a rim).
- 38. (New) The storage device of Claim 31 where the elongated body portion is a stationary, rigid loop, or ring, or straight rod.
- 39. (New) The storage device of Claim 31, where the elongated body portion is capable of supporting more than one object, at one time.
- 40. (New) The storage device of Claim 31, with the addition of stabilizing tabs which extend perpendicular to the insert portion, providing interference with the cargo control track,



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limiting pivotal movement relative to the cargo control track and thereby providing enhanced stability.

(New) A metal box tube member provided with rectangular receiving member receptacles, identical to those found in horizontal and vertical cargo control track to provide a four-sided, receiving member compatible with the device of Claims 31 as well as other existing cargo control devices.

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing and further and favorable reconsideration of the subject application in light of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1. 112 are respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been added.

Claims 1-30 are currently pending. Claims 1-30 have been cancelled and Claims 31-41 have been added in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim that which Applicant regards as the invention. Support for new Claims 31-41 can be found generally throughout the instant Specification.

Applicant has amended the title to: "Cargo Control Track Compatible Storage Devices" to more clearly describe the field and use of the invention and emphasize the novelty of the invention.

The Examiner states in the July 20, 2000 Office Action that Claims 3-20,22,24-29 and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The Examiner asserts that Claim 3 is indefinite because it depends from Claim 1 which recites that the body portion is capable of supporting a cantilever load. The Examiner asserts that the subject matter of Claim 17 is vague and indefinite because it is not shown in the

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